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HIGH NUTRITIONAL VALUE, AND
CORRESPONDING PRODUCTS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2002, finally rejecting claims 1-9, 11-14, and 21-25, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

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In the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 6 and 22 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A process for the production of a cereal wort or beer having a high content of soluble β -glucan of more than 0.2 wt % from a cereal or mixture of cereals in which a β -glucanase activity of any ingredient employed in the process will not decrease soluble β -glucan by more than 20 wt% compared to the yield from the corresponding source of non-germinated cereal or mixture of cereals, the process comprising the steps of: inactivating β -glucanase in at least one cereal to produce a treated cereal;

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